TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



SB 2847

January 26, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers to grant licensure, upon receipt of a fee, to an applicant that has been licensed and employed as a funeral director in another state for five years.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue - \$10,500/Recurring/Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers
Increase State Expenditures - \$10,500/One-Time/Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers

Assumptions:

- According to the Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers, there are approximately 3,500 licensed funeral directors and embalmers.
- According to the Board, notification of statute changes will be mailed to all current licensees at a one-time cost of \$2,000 for printing and mailing. Form modifications will be made at a one-time cost of \$1,000. A rule making hearing will be conducted at a cost of \$7,500. The total one-time increase to state expenditures equals \$10,500.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all boards and commissions are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. Boards and commissions are self-regulating entities and are granted the authority to establish fees at a level sufficient to cover operating costs. As of June 30, 2008, the Board had a positive balance of \$177,133.45.
- According to the Board, fees may be raised to cover the one-time expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director